IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with <u>underlining</u> and deleted text with <u>strikethrough</u>. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

- 1. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) Headgear, comprising:
- a cap having a crown and a visor; and

a headband attached to the crown and comprising a front part formed of stretchable material and a rear part, behind the front part in a circumferential direction of the headband, formed of a non-stretchable material, the front part being closer to the visor than the rear part, the front part and the rear part forming a continuous loop, and respective ends of the front and rear parts abutting each other.

- 2. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) Headgear as recited in claim 1, wherein the front part of the headband comprises a bottom edge in stitched contact with the crown and in tension.
- 3. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) Headgear as recited in claim 1, wherein a lower portion of the front part of the headband is attached to the crown in tension, the tension of the lower portion of the front part of the headband being greater than a tension of a top portion of the front part of the headband so that the front part of the headband inclines toward a center of the crown.
- 4. (ORIGINAL) Headgear as recited in claim 1, wherein the front part of the headband extends circumferentially in the crown along the bottom to edges of the visor.
- 5. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) Headgear as recited in claim 1, wherein the front part of the headband extends circumferentially in the crown along a bottom of the crown beyond edges of the visor.
- 6. (ORIGINAL) Headgear as recited in claim 1, wherein the front part of the headband is stretched and sewn to the crown along a bottom peripheral edge of the crown and a bottom edge of the front part.

- 7. (ORIGINAL) Headgear as recited in claim 1 wherein the crown is a fixed size.
- 8. (ORIGINAL) Headgear as recited in claim 1, wherein the visor is elastic and comprises:

a bill extending outside the crown; and an extended portion extending into the crown.

- 9. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) Headgear, comprising:
- a cap having a fixed size crown and a visor attached to the crown; and
- a sweatband attached to a circumference of the crown, said sweatband comprising:

a front part formed of stretchable material stretchable in a length direction of the sweatband, the front part inclining toward a center of the crown away from a crown side wall and comprising a bottom edge sewn to a peripheral edge of the crown in tension and a top edge not attached to the crown and not in tension; and

a rear part, behind the front part in a circumferential direction of the sweatband, formed of a non-stretchable material, the front part and the rear part forming a continuous loop and the front part being closer to the visor than the rear part,

respective ends of the front and rear parts abutting each other.

10. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) Headgear, comprising:

a cap having a crown and a elastic visor attached to a circumference of the crown and having an extended portion extending into an interior of the crown; and

a sweatband attached to the crown through the extended portion, said sweatband comprising:

a front part formed of stretchable material of the sweatband, inclining toward a center of the crown away from a crown side wall and comprising a bottom edge sewn to a peripheral edge of the crown in tension and a top edge not attached to the crown and not in tension; and

a rear part, behind the front part in a circumferential direction of the sweatband, formed of a non-stretchable material, the front part and the rear part forming a continuous loop,

the front part being closer to the visor than the rear part and respective ends of the front and rear parts abutting each other.

Serial No. 10/647,125

11. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) Headgear, comprising:

a-sunshield visor;

a headband attached to the sunshield_visor_and comprising a front part formed of stretchable

material and a rear part, behind the front part in a circumferential direction of the headband, formed of a non-stretchable material, the front part and the rear part forming a continuous loop; and

a crown; and

a visor, wherein the front part of the headband extends circumferentially in the crown and the front part being closer to the visor than the rear part and respective ends of the front and rear parts abutting each other.

- 12. (ORIGINAL) Headgear as recited in claim 11, wherein the front part of the headband comprises a bottom edge attached to the crown in tension.
- 13. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) Headgear as recited in claim 11, wherein a lower portion of the front part of the headband is attached to the crown in tension, the tension of the lower portion of the front part of the headband being greater than a tension of a top portion of the front part of the headband so that the front part of the headband inclines toward a center of the crown.
- 14. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) Headgear as recited in claim 11, wherein the front part of the headband extends circumferentially in the crown along the bottom to edges of the visor.
- 15. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) Headgear as recited in claim 11, wherein the front part of the headband extends circumferentially in the crown along the bottom beyond edges of the visor.
- 16. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) Headgear as recited in claim 11, wherein the front part of the headband is stretched and sewn to the crown along a bottom peripheral edge of the crown and a bottom edge of the front part.
 - 17. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) Headgear as recited in claim 11, wherein the

sunshield is elastic and comprises:

a bill extending outside the headband; and an extended portion extending inside the headband.

18. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method of making a headgear, comprising: sewing a visor to a crown;

forming a headband having a front part which is stretchable and a rear part which is nonstretchable, the front part and the rear part forming a continuous loop; and

stretching the stretchable part of the headband and attaching the headband to the crown along a bottom edge of the crown and a bottom edge of the headband, the front part being closer to the visor than the rear part, and respective ends of the front and rear parts abutting each other.

- 19. (ORIGINAL) A method as recited in claim 18, wherein the visor is elastic and the method further comprising attaching the visor to the crown before the headband is attached to the crown and producing an extended portion of the elastic visor extending into an interior of the crown.
- 20. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) A method of making a headgear, comprising: sewing an elastic visor to a crown with an extended portion extending into an interior of the crown;

forming a headband having a rear part which is non-stretchable and a front part which is stretchable, the front part and the rear part forming a continuous loop; and

attaching the headband to the crown along a bottom edge of the crown and to the extended portion of the elastic visor,

the front part being closer to the visor than the rear part and respective ends of the front and rear parts abutting each other.

21. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) Headgear, comprising:

a cap having a crown and an elastic visor attached to the crown extending into the crown; and

a headband attached to the crown and comprising a rear part formed of a nonstretchable material and a front part formed of a stretchable material, and attached to the visor, the front part and the rear part forming a continuous loop,

Serial No. 10/647,125

the front part being closer to the visor than the rear part and respective ends of the front and rear parts abutting each other.